

Amendments to the Specification:

After the Title, please insert the following paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/260,618, filed January 9, 2001.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 52, line 23 with:

BM may also be a compound that binds a receptor that is expressed or upregulated in angiogenic tumor vasculature. For targeting the VEGF receptors, Flk-1/KDR, Flt-1, and neuropilin-1, the targeting moieties are comprised of peptides, polypeptides or peptidomimetics that bind with high affinity to the receptors. For example, peptides comprised of a 23 amino acid portion of the C-terminal domain of VEGF have been synthesized which competitively inhibit binding of VEGF to VEGFR (Soker, et. al., J. Biol. Chem., 272, 31582-8 (1997)). Linear peptides of 11 to 23 amino acid residues that bind to the basic FGF receptor (bFGFR) are described by Cosic et. al., Mol. and Cell. Biochem., 130, 1-9 (1994). A preferred linear peptide antagonist of the bFGFR is the 16 amino acid peptide, Met-Trp-Tyr-Arg-Pro-Asp-Leu-Asp-Glu-Arg-Lys-Gln-Gln-Lys-Arg-Glu [SEQ ID NO. 1]. Gho et. al. (Cancer Research, 57, 3733-40 (1997)) describe the identification of small peptides that bind with high affinity to the angiogenin receptor on the surface of endothelial cells. A preferred peptide is Ala-Gln-Leu-Ala-Gly-Glu-Cys-Arg-Glu-Asn-Val-Cys-Met-Gly-Ile-Glu-Gly-Arg, [SEQ. ID. NO. 2] in which the two Cys residues form an intramolecular disulfide bond. Yayon et. al. (Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci, USA, 90, 10643-7 (1993)) describe other linear peptide antagonists of FGFR, identified from a random phage-displayed peptide library. Two linear octapeptides, Ala-Pro-Ser-Gly-His-Tyr-Lys-Gly [SEQ. ID. NO. 3] and

Lys-Arg-Thr-Gly-Gln-Tyr-Lys- Leu [SEQ. ID. NO. 4] are preferred for inhibiting binding of bFGF to its receptor.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 53, line 17 with:

Targeting moieties for integrins expressed in tumor vasculature include peptides, polypeptides and peptidomimetics that bind to $\alpha v\beta 3$, $\alpha v\beta 5$, $\alpha 5\beta 1$, $\alpha 4\beta 1$, $\alpha 1\beta 1$, and $\alpha 2\beta 2$. Pierschbacher and Rouslahti (J. Biol. Chem., 262, 17294-8 (1987)) describe peptides that bind selectively to $\alpha 5\beta 1$ and $\alpha v\beta 3$. U.S. Patent No. 5,536,814 describes peptides that bind with high affinity to the integrin $\alpha 5\beta 1$. Burgess and Lim (J. Med. Chem., 39, 4520-6 (1996)) disclose the synthesis three peptides that bind with high affinity to $\alpha v\beta 3$: cyclo[Arg-Gly-Asp-Arg-Gly-Asp], [SEQ. ID. NO. 5] cyclo[Arg-Gly-Asp-Arg-Gly-D-Asp] [SEQ. ID. NO. 6] and the linear peptide Arg-Gly-Asp-Arg-Gly-Asp. [SEQ. ID. NO. 7] U.S. Patent Nos. 5,770,565 and 5,766,591 disclose peptides that bind with high affinity to $\alpha v\beta 3$. U.S. Patent Nos. 5,767,071 and 5,780,426, disclose cyclic peptides that have an exocyclic Arg amino acid that have high affinity for $\alpha v\beta 3$. Srivatsa et. al., (Cardiovascular Res., 36, 408-28 (1997)) describe the cyclic peptide antagonist for $\alpha v\beta 3$, cyclo[Ala-Arg-Gly-Asp-Mamb]. [SEQ. ID. NO. 8] Tran et. al., (Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett., 7, 997-1002 (1997)) disclose the cyclic peptide cyclo[Arg-Gly-Asp-Val-Gly-Ser-BTD-Ser-Gly-Val-Ala] [SEQ. ID. NO. 9] that binds with high affinity to $\alpha v\beta 3$. Arap et. al. (Science, 279, 377-80 (1998)) describe cyclic peptides that bind to $\alpha v\beta 3$ and $\alpha v\beta 5$, Cys-Asp-Cys-Arg-Gly-Asp-Cys-Phe-Cys, [SEQ. ID. NO. 10] and cyclo[Cys-Asn-Gly-Asp-Cys]. [SEQ. ID. NO. 11] Corbett et. al. (Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett., 7, 1371-6 (1997)) describe a series of $\alpha v\beta 3$ selective peptidomimetics. And

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Haubner et. al., (Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl., 36, 1374-89 (1997)) disclose peptides and peptidomimetic avB3 antagonists obtained from peptide libraries.